

CHARTER INTERAGENCY AIR AND SMOKE COUNCIL (IASC)

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

The Interagency Air and Smoke Council is established to provide a forum for air regulators, land managers, and fire managers to get together and talk about air quality and smoke management issues in California.

MISSION:

Provide opportunities for communication, coordination, and education needed to develop workable fire management, land management, and air quality strategies.

OBJECTIVES:

- Build communication networks.
- Provide education and awareness of respective needs of land managers and air quality regulators.
- Facilitate smooth transition into new and changing air quality regulations and other applicable environmental regulations.
- Identify any conflicts and recommend compromises.
- Identify any needed changes in law and identify possible solutions.
- Find and develop new tools, and utilize best available science to help accomplish prescribed burn and air quality goals.
- Develop strategies to provide public education.

STRUCTURE:

The group is structured as an open forum. The members are responsible for fire, land, and air management and include, but are not limited to:

- Air Pollution Control Districts (APCD)/Air Quality Management Districts (AQMD)
- Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA-US Dept. of Interior)
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM-US Dept. of Interior)
- California Air Pollution Control Officers' Association (CAPCOA)
- California Air Resources Board (ARB)
- California Board of Forestry
- California Department of Fish and Game
- California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF)
- California Department of Parks and Recreation
- Department of Defense (DoD-Air Force, Army, Navy)
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS-US Dept. of Interior)

- Forest Service (USFS-US Dept. of Agriculture)
- National Park Service (NPS-US Dept. of Interior)
- Private Landowners
- Private Fuel and Fire Managers

IASC MEETING MANAGEMENT:

Meetings will be held quarterly (January, April, July, and October). Agencies will rotate the responsibility for hosting and facilitating the meetings. The agency hosting will set up the meeting and provide all materials (agenda, motel list, map, etc.) for a timely e-mail distribution. Meeting notes will be the responsibility of the hosting agency.

The Air Resources Board (ARB) will update and maintain the Interagency Air and Smoke Council's mailing and e-mail lists as well as electronically distribute meeting materials provided by the hosting agency.

The October meeting agenda will include re-evaluating the Steering Committee membership, reviewing the IASC Charter, scheduling the next year's meetings and determining who will host them.

STEERING COMMITTEE:

The duty of the Steering Committee is to create the agenda for meetings by soliciting input from the membership and confirming a host for each meeting. Current tenure for committee members is two (2) years with members rotating off the committee every other year unless the agency chooses to keep the same representative. The Steering Committee will be composed of one representative from each of the following (the current - as of January 2003 - member is shown):

- * Bureau of Land Management:..... **Jim Francis**, Sacramento
- California Air Pollution Control Officers' Association:
..... **Ann Hobbs**, Placer Co. APCD, Auburn
- California Resources Agency:..... **Tom Larsen**, CDF, Sacramento
- Environmental Protection Agency:..... **John Kennedy**, San Francisco
- * California Air Resources Board:..... **Bruce Oulrey**, Sacramento
- * National Park Service:..... **Tom Nichols**, Oakland
- * US Forest Service:..... **Trent Procter**, Porterville
- * Committee representatives rotate every even year with the other representatives rotating on the odd year, beginning 2003.)

The Steering Committee members will meet each October to review tenure, changes, and/or replacements in the committee membership.

SUBCOMMITTEES:

Ad hoc subcommittees will be created if the membership identifies the need.